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Applicant(s) LAERMER et al.  
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 Filed August 11, 2005  
 For LAYER SYSTEM HAVING A SILICON LAYER AND A  
 PASSIVATION LAYER, METHOD FOR CREATING A  
 PASSIVATION LAYER ON A SILICON LAYER AND ITS USE

Art Unit : 2818  
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Please find an Amendment transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application in response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2006, for which a three-months period expires on March 22, 2007.

No fee is believed to be required. However, if any fee is required, please use Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate of this transmittal letter is enclosed for that purpose.

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This paper addresses the Office Action dated December 22, 2006 in connection with the above-captioned application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.